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# DESCENDANTS OF THOMAS BLAND

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### 1.THOMAS BLAND

Thomas Bland was born about 1740. His spouse is unknown.

Known children of Thomas Bland.

2. (1). Thomas Jr. b.c. 1765 m. Sarah Byrne

#### 2.THOMAS BLAND JR. 1.THOMAS BLAND

Thomas Bland Jr, a son of Thomas Bland, was born about 1765 and died about 1794. He married Sarah Byrne. Sarah, a daughter of Samuel and Clarissa (Buckner) Byrne, was born in Prince William County VA February 11, 1768 and died March 7, 1831.

Thomas went to KY to buy land and died on the trip.

Sarah married Jacob Zinn in 1795. Jacob, a son of George and Mary Anna (Seiler) Zinn, was born about 1775.

Children of Thomas and Sarah (Byrne) Bland.

- 3. (1). John
- 4. (2). Samuel
- 5. (3). Thomas III b.Jan 19 1793 m. Mary "Polly" Newlon Feb 17 1815

# 5.THOMAS BLAND III 2.THOMAS BLAND JR. 1.THOMAS BLAND

Thomas Bland III, a son of Thomas and Sarah (Byrne) Bland, was born January 19, 1793). In 1795, his Jacob Zinn and went to live on her new husband's paternal lands, adjoining those of Colonel John Fairfax. Here Thomas grew to manhood under the care of his stepfather, Jacob Zinn,

Before the War of 1812, he operated a store in Kingwood in present day Preston County WV. During that war, he served as a private in a company under the command of Captain Wadsworth in a militia regiment commanded by Col. Patterson. He was present at the siege of Fort Meigs.

Thomas married Mary "Polly" February 17, 1815 in Harrison County VA. Mary, a daughter of William and Sarah Furr Newlon, was born in VA about 1796.

Shortly after 1816, he came to Lewis County and settled at Weston when the town was founded. He had a busy and productive life, attested by the following activities. He became an extensive landowner. He built and operated the first hotel in Weston. He built a large gristmill adjoining the hotel on the side toward the West Fork River. He operated a tannery on the side of the hotel toward Center Avenue. He served as a justice for Lewis County, being appointed in 1824. He served as mayor of the Town of Weston. He served as deputy sheriff of Lewis County. He presided at the organizational meeting of St. Paul's Episcopal Church in. Weston. He was elected to the first vestry, continuing on that body until his death. He was chosen as one of the two original trustees of that church.

He was one of the original directors of the first bank in Weston, established 26 July 1852, a branch of the Exchange Bank of Virginia. He was a school commissioner for Lewis County.

Served a number of terms in the Virginia Assembly, first in the House of Delegates, beginning in 1823, and later in the Senate.

Children of Thomas III and Mary "Polly" (Newlon) Bland.

- 6. (1). William John b. 1816 m. Columbia Ann Madison (Jackson) Duncan
- 7. (2). Theodoric Granville
- 8. (3). Minerva Ann b.c. 1821 m. Judge Matthew Edmiston
- 9. (4). Amanda b.c. 1824 m. Judge John Brannon
- 10. (5). Thomas IV d.age 5
- 11. (6). Mary Sisson b.c. 1834 m. Jacob Lorentz Jr. Oct 3 1852
- 12. (7). Edwin Sloan b.c. 1836

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m. Lavinia E. ----

- 13. (8). Newton Benton b. 1835 m. Mary Sophia Jane Linn
- 14. (9). John Thomas b.c. 1841

6.WILLIAM JOHN BLAND 5.THOMAS BLAND III 2.THOMAS BLAND JR. 1.THOMAS BLAND

William John Bland, a son of Thomas III and Mary "Polly" (Newlon) Bland, was born in VA in 1816. He married Columbia Ann Madison (Jackson) Duncan in Lewis County VA in 1858. Columbia, a daughter of John George and Mary Sophia (Meigs) Jackson, was born in VA about 1824. She was the widow of ----- Duncan.

William graduated from the medical school of the University of Louisville, served in the VA Assembly, was president of the WV Medical Association, superintendent of the WV State Hospital for the Insane from 1881 to 1889, chief surgeon of W. I. Jackson's Brigade, CSA and member of the first Vestry of St. Paul's Episcopal Church.

Children of ---- and Columbia Ann Madison (Jackson) Duncan. (Step children of William John Bland)

15. (1). John J. b.c. 1835

Children of William John and Columbia Ann Madison (Jackson) [Duncan] Bland.

16. (1). Meigs b.c. 1859

17. (2). William Thomas b.c. 1861

8.MINERVA ANN BLAND 5.THOMAS BLAND III 2.THOMAS BLAND JR. 1.THOMAS BLAND

Minerva Ann Bland, a daughter of Thomas III and Mary "Polly" (Newlon) Bland, was born in VA about 1821. She married Judge Matthew Edmiston. Matthew was born in VA about 1815.

b.c. 1842

Children of Matthew and Minerva Ann (BlandO Edmiston.

19.	(2). Thomas	b.c.	1845
20.	(3). Theodorick	b.c.	1847

18. (1). Harriet

21. (4). Andrew b.c. 1849

22. (5). Fanny b.c. 1855

23. (6). Matthew b.c. 1857

24. (7). George b.c. 1859

25. (8). Ella R. b.c. 1863

9.AMANDA BLAND 5.THOMAS BLAND III 2.THOMAS BLAND JR. 1.THOMAS

Amanda Bland, a daughter of Thomas III and Mary "Polly" (Newlon) Bland, was born in Va about 1824. She married John Brannon. John, a son of Robert and Catherine (Copenhaver) Brannon, was born in VA about 1823. He married Amanda Bland.

John was a prominent lawyer and jurist in Lewis County VA.

Children of John and Amanda (Bland) Brannon.

26.	(1). Alice m. William George Bennett	b.c. 1872	1849
27.	(2). Florence	b.c.	1852
28.	(3). Lilly D.	b.c.	1856
29.	(4). Bland	b.c.	1859

11.MARY SISSON BLAND 5.THOMAS BLAND III 2.THOMAS BLAND JR. 1.THOMAS BLAND

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Mary Sisson Bland, a daughter of Thomas III and Mary "Polly" (Newlon) Bland, was born in Va about 1834. She married Jacob Lorentz Jr. October 3, 1852. Jacob, a son of Jacob and Rebecca (Stalnaker) Lorentz, was born January 22, 1826.

Children of Jacob Jr. and Mary Sisson (Bland) Lorentz.

- 30 (1). Edmond T. b. 1853
- 31. (2). Theodore G. b. 1855
- 32. (3). Charles b. 1858
- 33. (4). Mary b. 1861 m.Jackson Harr

34. (5). William John

m.Anna Florence Beall

35. (6). Emma m.Charles Thomas Whiting

36. (7). Anna Lee b.Jun 5 1869 d.Jan 23 1960

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1867

- 37. (8). Grace b. 1874
- 38. (9). Alice b. 1877 m.Herman Leper
- 13.NEWTON BENTON BLAND 5.THOMAS BLAND III 2.THOMAS BLAND JR. 1.THOMAS BLAND

Newton Benton Bland, a son of Thomas III and Mary "Polly" (Newlon) Bland, was born in Lewis County VA (WV) in 1835. He married Mary Sophia Jane Linn. Mary was born in VA about 1842.

Newton began his practice of medicine in Jane Lew, WV in 1866, moving to Glenville in Gilmer County WV in 1869. In 1872, he came to Weston Lewis County WV, where he continued his practice until his death in 1896.

Children of Newton Benton and Mary Sophia Jane (Linn) Bland.

- 39. (1). Robert Linn b.c. 1868 m. Rebecca Frances Moore
- 40. (2). Hattie Bland d. infant
- 41. (3). Thomas Bland b. 1870 d. infant
- 42. (4). George Linn b. 1874 d. 1958 m. Marie Francisca DeMedici McArdle
- 39.ROBERT LINN BLAND 13.NEWTON BENTON BLAND 5.THOMAS BLAND III 2.THOMAS BLAND JR. 1.THOMAS BLAND

Robert Linn Bland, a son of Newton Benton and Mary Sophia Jane (Linn) Bland, was born in Lewis County WV in 1868. He married Rebecca Frances Moore.

Children of Robert Linn and Rebecca Frances (Moore) Bland.

- 43. (1). Unlia Moore
- 44. (2). Theodoric Edwards
- 45. (3). Charles Newton
- 46. (4). Robert Linn Jr.
- 42.GEORGE LINN BLAND 13.NEWTON BENTON BLAND 5.THOMAS BLAND III 2.THOMAS BLAND JR. 1.THOMAS BLAND

George Linn Bland, a son of Newton Benton and Mary Sophia Jane (Linn) Bland, was born in Lewis County WV in 1874 and died in 1958. He married Marie Francesca DeMedici McArdle. Marie, a daughter of Harry Arthur and Isophene (Dunnington) McArdle, was born in 1876 and died in 1959.

Children of George Linn and Marie Francisca DeMedici (McArdle) Bland.

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- 47. (1). Ruskin McArdle b. 1916 d. 1988
- 48. (2). George Linn Jr. b. 1918 m. Elisabeth Susan "Betty" Heater Jul 19 1944
- 48.GEORGE LINN BLAND JR. 42.GEORGE LINN BLAND 13.NEWTON BENTON BLAND
- 5.THOMAS BLAND III 2.THOMAS BLAND JR. 1.THOMAS BLAND

George Linn Bland Jr., a son of George Linn and Marie Francisca DeMedici (McArdle) Bland, was born in Lewis County WV in 1918. He married Elisabeth Susan "Betty" Heater July 19, 1944. Betty is a daughter of Clyde and Fay Ophelia (White) Heater.

Children of George Linn Jr. and Elizabeth Susan (Heater) Bland.

- 49. (1). Linn Marie m. LeRoy Buell
- 50. (2). James Edward
  m. Valerie Wilkinson
  m. Rebecca Dicken
- 51. (3). Elisabeth Ann m. James Danley Luzader
- 51. (4). Janis Dunnington

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